

where:

R_4 is chosen among chlorine, bromine, NHR_5 with R_5 hydrogen, linear or branched alkyl chain, A and B are chosen among hydrogen, linear or branched, substituted or non substituted alkyl chains, and n is comprised between 1 and 10, to produce monomeric esters or amides;

(c) reacting said monomeric esters or said amides with an halogenating compound, to produce said monomeric esters or said amides, characterized by the presence of a terminal halogen group; and

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(d) reacting said monomeric esters or said amides, characterized by the presence of a terminal halogen group, with a nitrating agent, to produce nitric esters of derivatives (IA).

28. The process of claim 27, wherein said carboxylic group is an acylic chloride or anhydride chloride.

29. The process of claim 27, wherein said halogenating compound is PBr_3 .

~~30. The process of claim 27, wherein said nitrating agent is $AgNO_3$.~~

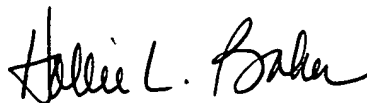
REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted to make the claims conform to standard U.S. practice. The pending claims are 1-10 and 19-30. No new matter has been

added with these claims. Support for the newly submitted claims 19-30 can be found in the original claims 1 to 18, and throughout the specification.

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